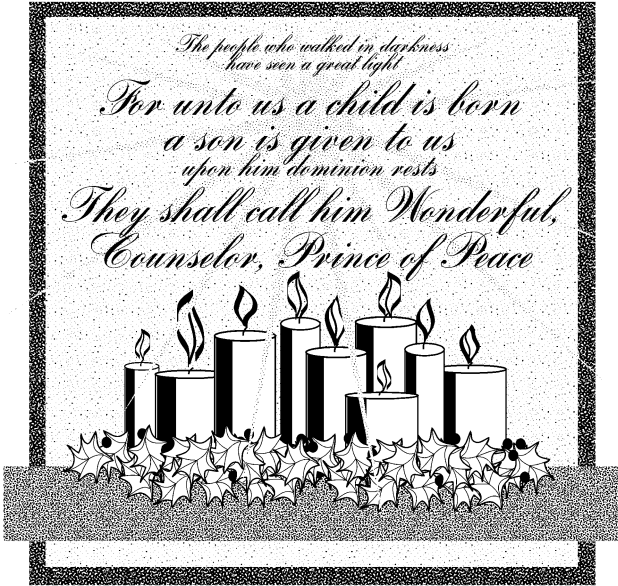


**The Nativity of the Lord
December 25, 2016**



Reflection on the Scriptures

"The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us." —John 1:14

On this great celebration of Christmas, we recall Jesus being constricted for love of us:

- Jesus, Son of God and Eternal Word of God, Whom the universe cannot contain (2 Chronicles 6:18), is constricted in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
- Jesus, through Whom all things came into being (John 1:3), accepts the constraints and limitations of a human body.
- After birth, Jesus was "wrapped in swaddling clothes" (Luke 2:12). These clothes encircled His body, constricting Him.
- The Baby Jesus was hunted down by the government. His family fled to Egypt. He was constricted through life as a Refugee in a land far from His home (Matthew:14ff).
- Jesus was constricted on the cross, the Almighty God pressed to its wood by a few nails.
- Jesus was constricted again by swaddling clothes. His burial cloths were wrapped around His immobile body.
- After dying, the body of Jesus was constricted in a tomb.

Why did Jesus submit to these constrictions for our sake? "God is Love" (1 John 4:16), and love endures all things (1 Corinthians 13:7).

Next Sunday's Readings

Solemnity of Mary

First Reading: Numbers 6:22-27
 Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 67:2-3, 5-6, 8
 Second Reading: Galatians 4:4-7
 Holy Gospel: Luke 2:16-21

This Week's Mass Intentions

Saturday, 5:00 am
 7:00 pm +Gilbert & +Dorothy Barretto
 Sunday – Midnight
 +Mel Europa
 +Juliana Ang &
 7:30 am +Walter Quensell
 +Keli'i Awae Takasugi
 9:30 am Pro Populo
 Monday, 6:30 am
 Tuesday, 6:30 am +Melvin Abrocio
 Wednesday, 6:30 am All Souls
 Thursday, 6:30 am Joyce & Marvin Uehara,
 Anniversary
 Friday, 6:30 am

Remember in Prayer

Lawrence Alejado	Ashley Nawahine
Benjamin Alonzo	Eufrosina Olaso
Char Ancheta	Belen Ongteco
Aiden Ancheta	Geoffrey Padilla
Anna Buenventura	Gloria R. Padilla
Romeo Cayetano	Grant Padilla
Gilbert Ching	Sky Racoma
Bridida Dizon	Patricia Ramos
Flora Franco	Bernie Serrano
Carmen Espiritu-Igawa	Jovina Tabangcura
Juan Ferrer	Fani Tedios
Joseph Hurst	Marie Tedios
Jeff Kwock	Ida Villamor
Cathy Llanos	

Please call or email the Parish Office if you would like us to pray for someone.

Weekly Stewardship

General Offering	\$	5,329.87
New Building Fund	\$	1,054.00
Other: Christmas Appeal	\$	2,120.00
Other: Misa de Gallo	\$	2,056.00
Other: Misc	\$	782.00
Online-General	\$	2,378.00
Online-Building	\$	210.00
Online-Christmas	\$	100.00
TOTAL:	\$	14,029.87

This Week @ Resurrection

<p>Monday (December 26): Rosary, Marian Chapel, 7 am Family Rosary, 7 pm</p>
<p>Tuesday (December 27): Mass, 6:30 a.m. Rosary, Marian Chapel, 7 am</p>
<p>Wednesday (December 28): Mass, 6:30 a.m. Rosary, Marian Chapel, 7 am Centering Prayer, Conference Room, 7pm EPIC, Lanai, 7pm</p>
<p>Thursday (December 29): Mass, 6:30 a.m. Rosary, Marian Chapel, 7am</p>
<p>Friday (December 30): Mass, 6:30 a.m. Rosary, Marian Chapel, 7a.m. EPIC Christmas Party, 7 p.m.</p>
<p>Saturday (December 31): Vigil Mass, 5:14 p.m. Rosary, Blessed Sacrament Chapel, 6:30pm</p>
<p>Sunday (January 1): Solemnity of Mary Masses, 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. NO 6:00 P.M. MASS</p>

Announcements

A BIG THANK YOU! I want to thank everyone for the "surprise!" birthday party on December 16th! Truthfully, I could not have been more surprised or more honored by all the hard work, planning, and secret execution of the plan. Even the kids were in on it! It was so much fun (although I died a thousand deaths with Bro. Allen's roast) and thank you for including my family and friends from years past. I was truly touched. I am very grateful for all of your gifts, cards, love, and prayers. It is a joy and privilege to serve Christ with you here at ROL!
Fr. William

THE WELCOME KIOSK: Please visit our Welcome Kiosk after Mass on the lanai if you are new and would like to register, RSVP for events, volunteer for ministry, or for more information about our parish activities!

CARDS FOR FR. PAUL: If you would like to send Fr. Paul a get-well card you may send them to: Fr. Paul Minchak, c/o of Eugene Minchak, 53 Hunt Ave., Pearl River, NY 10965.

OFFICE HOURS: Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Monday, December 26 and Monday, January 2 in observance of the Christmas and New Years holidays.

MISA DE GALLO MAHALOS! Many thanks to Lea & Jesse Requilman, our 2016 Misa de Gallo Co-Chairs, our choir led by Sr. Olive, all of the ministries for providing breakfast, our Lectors and Altar Servers, and all of our volunteers who came early to set up and stayed late to clean up every day! It made for a beautiful Novena and all of you are truly a blessing to ROL!

NEW YEARS MASS SCHEDULE

New Years Eve, December 31
5:15 PM Vigil for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
New Years Day, January 1
7:30 AM Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day)
9:30 AM Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day)
• Please note there is no 6:00 PM Mass today.

ONLINE GIVING: Consider giving online. It only takes a few minutes to set up your account and you can schedule your gifts to be made using a credit or debit card. It is an easy and secure way to give. At the end of the year, you will also have an accurate record of your charitable contributions to the parish. Visit our website www.resurrectionhawaii.org and look for the icon to be connected to Our Sunday Visitor's online giving portal.

